

House Resolution No. 2903

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State youths who admirably demonstrate their true potential as lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders through the excellence of their achievements as students; and

Whereas, Thomas Jefferson Middle School in the Jefferson City School District sponsors a Tripod competitive engineering team composed of seventh-grade students Hughes Lee, Ahsen Kayani, and Elijah Livingston; and

Whereas, on May 5, 2008, the Tripod team enhanced its already impressive record of achievement when it took top honors at the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officers National Transportation and Civil Engineering Drawbridge Competition that took place in Branson, Missouri; and

Whereas, after judging more than one hundred proposals, AASHTO officials selected three finalists in each grade level with the Tripod team from Thomas Jefferson Middle School and two other teams from New Hampshire and Mississippi chosen to represent seventh and eighth grade entries; and

Whereas, the Tripod team was assisted by Missouri Department of Transportation volunteers Greg Sanders, Brandon Hansberry, Andrew Hanks, Keith Ferrell, and Dan Tschirgi; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its constitutionally mandated legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of such outstanding Missouri students as those who make up the Thomas Jefferson Middle School Tripod team:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments of the Tripod team and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon placing First in national competition; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Tripod team from Thomas Jefferson Middle School in the Jefferson City School District of Cole County, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bill Deeken
District No. 114

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2903, adopted May 8, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker